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### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

## **MEMORANDUM**

December 14, 2017

TO:

The Commission

THROUGH:

Alec Palmer

Staff Director

FROM:

Patricia C. Orrock

Chief Compliance Officer

Krista J. Roche

Acting Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT:

ADR 835 Planned Parenthood Action Fund Inc. DBA

Planned Parenthood Federal PAC and Tshombe Hubbard,

Treasurer, Recommendation to Approve Negotiated

Settlement

**RESOLUTION TERMS:** 

Pay a civil penalty of \$2,600

Attached for your review is a signed negotiated ADR Settlement Agreement pertaining to ADR 835 (RAD 17L-21). The ADR Office received this referral on July 27, 2017.

SUMMARY: The Reports Analysis Division (RAD) referred Planned Parenthood Action Fund Inc. DBA Planned Parenthood Federal PAC and Tshombe Hubbard, Treasurer, (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to disclose all financial activity on the 2016 12 Day Pre-General Report. On February 21, 2017, the Committee filed an Amended 2016 12 Day Pre-General Report disclosing an additional \$51,756.51 in disbursements.

In a Miscellaneous Electronic Submission (Form 99) filed on April 28, 2017, the Committee indicated that it performed a voluntary internal review of its 2016 activities and realized the need for an amendment. It was discovered that one \$50,000 disbursement was made to a state-level independent expenditure committee for non-federal activity, which had been timely reported to the relevant state election board four days before the election, had been inadvertently omitted from the original 2016 12 Day Pre-General Report. This donation was one of only six non-federal cash donations made by the Committee over the last three election

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cycles and the only donation to a state-level independent expenditure committee. The Committee contends that this inadvertent omission of a non-federal donation was a minor reporting oversight that was promptly corrected once discovered and represents a very small portion of its overall reporting. The Committee further contends that it has voluntarily undertaken a thorough review of its reporting procedures to ensure this type of error does not occur in the future.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1. Approve the attached negotiated settlement of Planned Parenthood Action Fund Inc. DBA Planned Parenthood Federal PAC and Tshombe Hubbard, Treasurer.
- 2. Approve the appropriate letters.
- 3. Close the file on this matter.